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### REPUBLICAN TICKET.

For Governor.

CHAS. H. DIERICH, Adams.

For Lieut. Governor.

E. P. VAGE, Custer.

For Secretary of State.

G. W. MARSH, Richardson.

For Auditor.

CHAS. WESTON, Sheridan.

For Treasurer.

WM. STEUFFER, Cuming.

For Attorney General.

FRANK N. PROUT, Gage.

For Com. Pub. Lands and Bldgs.

G. D. FOLLMER, Thayer.

For Supt. Pub. Instruction.

W. K. FOWLER, Washington.

For Congress.

MOSES P. KINKAID.

Presidential Electors:

JOHN P. NESBITT, B. B. WINDHAM.

EDWARD ROY, L. H. BAGU.

S. P. DAVIDSON, JACOB JACOBSON.

JOHN L. KENDRY, JOSEPH L. LANG.

### Republican Supervisor Convention.

The republicans of the seventh supervisor district of Custer county N. B. will meet in convention at Mason City on Saturday night, Aug. 25, 1900 at 8 o'clock, p. m. for the purpose of placing in nomination a candidate for the office of supervisor for the year 1901 to be voted for at the next annual election and to transact such business that may come before the convention.

Each of representation the name as delegate to the county convention.

T. J. Woods, Supervisor District Committee.

### Republican Senatorial Convention for 15 Senatorial District.

The republican senatorial convention for the fifteenth senatorial district of Nebraska is hereby called to meet at 8 o'clock, p. m. of said day for the purpose of placing in nomination a candidate for the office of senator, and for the transacting of any other business which may be brought before said meeting.

The counties of said district are entitled to representation as follows, and based upon the vote of N. B. Reese in 1899, one delegate at large and one delegate for every 100 votes or major fraction thereof.

Custer county 18, Valley county 8, Loup county 2, Blaine county 2.

L. A. REESE, chairman Senatorial Com.

### W. E. Whitney of V. I. e, county secured the nomination for senator in the demo-pop convention at Sargent Saturday.

The vote stood 44 for Whitney 20 for Lomax and 1 for W. G. Eastman. How the mighty have fallen.

The same crowd that opposed the annexation of Alaska a few years ago are now again the occupation of the Philippine Island. They always follow but never lead and are about twenty years behind the republican party.

Anti-imperialism, is the thinnest issue the democrats have pinned their faith of success to in a long while and will succeed in drawing the least support of any fad they have had since they used the same argument against the re-election of Gen. Grant.

It is interesting to hear the demo-pops that attended the Lincoln convention on passes denounce the pops who road to the Grand Island convention on tickets purchased by by some body else. Those "who live in glass houses should throw no stones."

The demo-pop senatorial convention at Sargent Saturday was attended with an irreparable split on the endorsement of Bryan. The fusionists carried the day 5 to 1 and the straight populists with drew, bent upon holding a pop convention to nominate delegates to put up a legislative and congressional ticket.

The Republican party has nothing in common with the populist party nor any faith in the party ever bringing about a reform in politics. The ten years they have had control of this county and the acts of their legislators and state officers in the past have shown conclusively that their cry of reform is made merely to secure public patronage.

When once in position their hypocrisy is made evident by their disregard of their sacred pledges. Yet we can not help admiring those of that persuasion who have the courage of their convictions and refuse to be sold out body and soul to the democratic party by their treacherous leaders.

Democracy is now in the saddle and the great reform party which was going to do so much for the country has been completely swallowed by the democrats.

Bryan has concluded that it is better for Towne to continue his hypocrisy and retain "the name of a free silver republican and remain on the fusion ticket through the campaign, in order to further deceive his deluded followers. This is just as we before remarked, Towne is a tool and he would remain on the ticket or get off just as Bryan dictated.

Next fall the same fellows who are denouncing Painter, Flick, Holliday, Cooper, Cockhacker, Stockham and Co. as traitors will be among the loudest supporters of mid-road resolutions in the county convention next year. In the dearest of democracy this fall their chances for government appointments will have vanished and they like a suck egg dog will sneek back to the populist ranks to get under cover.

The democratic party, not satisfied with gobbling the populist party, is determined to absorb the name and all, and it seems to be settled that the democratic leaders are even now making a frantic effort to keep the name "Populist" off of the official ballot. How do you like to be thus taken possession of, body, soul and bristles, you Mr. Populist?—Old Times

The fusion crowd are trying to bring in the populists into the support of their ticket by calling them traitors. It always has been that the real traitor is always the first to try to get some one else implicated. Since the fusion leaders have played traitor to their duped followers and sold out to the democratic party they seek to escape the ignominy by calling those traitors who refuse to be sold out.

"You are premature" remarked a prominent fusion ex-officerholder, to a populist a few days ago. "We will all be popal next year." Just as we have before remarked. It is not a matter of principle that actuates the fusion leaders. It is anything to keep themselves in reach of the public eye. The very fellows that they are denouncing as traitors and disreputable would be taken to their bosoms tomorrow if they would but swear allegiance to Bryan and democracy.

Our democratic contemporaries last week used several columns of their space in their vain effort to convince the public that the Grand Island convention was a farce and that the delegates were all hoodlars. They thought they had made such a grand success they sent out several hundred extra copies of their paper containing the rot. Fortunately for the public the people of Custer county who read are too intelligent to be influenced by such stuff coming as it does from a gang of demagogues whose sole object is to blind the eyes of the voters from the real object, their own treachery.

Four years ago, when the democrats ignored the populist vice presidential candidate, the populists swallowed the insult and voted for Bryan, vowing before high heaven that they would never submit to another such outrage. We find a majority of them today who have "turned the other cheek," and are now whooping it up for Bryan and Stevenson. Because some have the courage to assert their political rights, the fusionists rear up on their hind legs and frantically howl "Traitor!" It strikes us that the traitors are the fellows who, for a consideration, sold the pops to the democrats and are now bending their every energy in an effort to deliver the goods.—Callaway Independent.

J. W. Taylor reminds us of the fellow who was between "the devil and the deep sea." He has been the leading factor in the populist ranks against democratic domination. But in an evil moment he accepted the nomination for representative at the hands of the fu-

sionists. Now his populist friends threaten to put up a man against him unless he will pledge himself not to support fusionists for the United States Senate. Whether to forsake his own "child" or the Allen and Hitchcock combine is giving him trouble. To forsake the pops he must forsake the principle for which he has been contending and to forsake Allen and Hitchcock his chance for office looks dim. To or not to? Which?

Virtually the democratic platform is:

- Anti imperialism.
- Anti militarism.
- Anti commercialism.
- Anti expansion.
- Anti trust.
- Anti gold standard.
- Anti protection.
- Anti private ownership.
- Anti national reserve fund.
- Anti war revenue tax.
- Anti Americanism.
- Anti prosperity and good times.
- It favors one more cabinet officer.
- Free trade.
- Free soup houses.

Bryan for president with or without the aid or consent of the pops.—Western Wave.

Only eight years ago Bryan on the stump vociferated the statement that the United States could never become a producer of tin plate. That prediction, like all of his public utterances, was turned into a burlesque by the logic of events. Last year the production of tin plate in this country was 397,767 tons. In a few brief years a splendid industry has grown up, giving employment to fully 17,000 people, whose earnings amount to \$10,000,000 a year. And, what is more, the poor man's dinner pail is cheaper than it was before it was made wholly in the United States. Just one item of McKinley prosperity that came with the overthrow of Bryan.—Ashland Gazette.

### Candidate For The Legislature.

The delegates to the republican and senatorial conventions have resting upon them a very important and responsible duty. From the present outlook politically the indications are favorable for the election of all three of the members of the state legislature. But the conditions are not so favorable that the election of "any body" can be selected.

Republicans of all partisans are intelligent and independent, and to secure the support of the voters a candidate should not only have a good record as a republican, but must be one who is capable and worthy of the respect and confidence of the public. A man upon whom the party can and will unite is a man who will be able to command the respect of the conservative and unprejudiced voters of other partisans. By exercising care in selecting candidates for the legislature, the chances are very favorable for their election. The REPUBLICAN has no names to propose or pets to favor. All we ask is that in each case the very best material, after deliberate consideration be selected and we will be satisfied. As for Senator, we deem Senator Currie the logical candidate and think by all means he should be renominated, but if, as it is currently reported, he will not accept, there other good men, of whom the best choice possible should be made. It is equally as important that strong candidates for representatives should be selected, as we confidently believe, that if the right men are chosen they will be elected.

### CAN'T TAKE THE BOSE.

Hon. E. Wyman Says He Is Done With Fusion.

Has Been a Populist From Principle and Sees Through the Democratic Scheme to Swallow the Populist Party and Will Not Lend His Assistance to Them in the Effort.

EDITOR SKELTON CLIPPER:—Mr. Bryan's special organ, the World Herald comes out and tells the populists and silver republicans what to do and how to do it in the present campaign. It issues "imperative mandate" and calls on the "loyal men" to show their loyalty

to Mr. Bryan for "voting for the entire ticket." This is more than the populists and silver republicans have ever been asked to do before and more than they will do now, for to do so would be to end their party existence by their becoming democrats. The line is drawn sharply and no one of ordinary political sagacity can be deceived by the cunning of the adroit party leaders. Few of the populists will consent to become democrats on national issues and remain fusionists on state issues. The democrats have ignored their allies on the main question, and they will ignore them on state issue if successful on national issues. Here are the Herald's words, which speak plain to be misunderstood.

"Kansas City convention has determined the attitude of the democratic party with respect to the populists and silver republican elements. Now, in full view of the convention's action, it lies with the populist and silver republicans to determine their duty towards the democratic party. \* \* \* We are confident a few days of calm and thoughtful consideration will bring every loyal man to the conclusion that Mr. Bryan now has not only a claim \* \* \* for the support of the entire ticket but so absolutely entitled to such support."

Just so, we have taken those "few days of calm and thoughtful consideration" and have arrived at a very different conclusion than the one outlined by the World-Herald "every loyal man" to arrive at. No sir, Mr. Hitchcock; this campaign will be decided by the voter at the ballot box and not by the politicians at the conventions. The democratic party cannot swallow the populists and silver republicans as it did the greenbackers, even by taking part on state and balance on national issues. They will not go down. The only issue not already passed upon by the people in this campaign is the issue that has grown up to the Spanish American war. This issue has been passed to the front prematurely. The people are not familiar with it. They are asked to pass upon a policy not matured by the administration. Events that are transpiring daily enter into the formation of the policy of the government in regard to our foreign relations. In my judgement it would place us as a nation in a humiliating position before the world to change the foreign policy of the country at this time.

In regard to "fusion," I am done with it, and I shall not stop in "the middle of the road." I shall "cross the Rubicon" and take the consequences. Most of the populists and silver republicans are honest in their effort on political lines and are honorable and worthy of respect, but they are simply wasting their time in trying to better matters by assisting the old democratic party that has been discredited by the country for forty years into power. The issue is plain: It is republicanism or democracy, and you must be either a republican or a democrat, and I am not a democrat.

E. WYMAN.  
This article from the pen of Hon. E. Wyman, is worthy of the careful consideration of all populists who hold principle above the desire of any one man or set of men for office. Mr. Wyman has been one of the foremost populists in Buffalo county and advocated the principles of the party from principle. Two years ago he was elected on the populist ticket to represent this county in the state legislature and served his constituents faithfully in that body. He has loyally followed the teachings of his party and has always been considered one of the best informed men on public matters in his home county. He has, however, seen through the scheme of the democrats to swallow the populist party and has become fully convinced that his party is simply being used by the democrats to subserve their own selfish ends, and has sensibly concluded to not lend his assistance to them in the effort. His article is worthy of "calm and thoughtful consideration" of every populist in the state of Nebraska.

## THE MASK TORN OFF.

### Governor Roosevelt Removes the Cover From the Haggard and Deceitful Face of Fusion.

### A Fierce and Forceful Fire on the Fallacy of Bryanism by America's Soldier-Statesman.

Quotes General Lawton in Saying That the Blood of American Soldiers is On the Hands of American Sympathizers of Aguinaldo.

Speaking to the National League of Republican clubs in session at St. Paul, Governor Roosevelt gave utterance to some things which in a large degree show the true character of the man. He said: "A politician who isn't honest, no matter how able or smart he is, is a curse to the community. Don't let any man delude you by trying to convince you that he can help you by being a little dishonest on your side. He will desert you when the crisis comes."

"I have met here today a few men from my old stamping grounds in the Dakotas and Montana, where I used to be a delegate to the cattle conventions. There are a few of my fellow delegates here tonight. I was then in the cow business myself. Out there the cow puncher and the branding iron took the place of the fence. We used to brand the calves every year, and if a calf was passed over it became a maverick. It was the rule in those days that a maverick when found might be branded with the brand of the ranch on which it was found."

"And one day I was riding over the ranch with a cow puncher and we came across a maverick. It was on the Thistle brand ranch. The cow puncher roped and tied the maverick and we got off to put a brand on it. I remember that I took off the cinch iron to help put on the brand. And I said to the cow puncher: 'Remember, it is the Thistle brand.' He grinned and said he knew his business. But I saw he was putting on my brand. 'Hold on there,' I said, 'you are putting on my brand.' 'I always put on my boss' brand,' he replied. I said to him: 'You can go to the ranch and get your time. If you will steal for me, you will steal from me.'"

"And that applies in politics as well as in the cow business. You have got to have honesty first, and you have got to have courage with it. I have mighty little use for the honest, timid man, the man who takes out his honesty in his own parlor, but who can't trust himself with it out in the world to do his work among his fellows. He may be very nice and pleasant, but he is no use."

"But no matter how honest and brave a man may be, if he is a natural born fool you can't do anything with him. He must have the

### Saving Grace of Common Sense.

Honesty, courage and common sense are needed in public life just as they are needed in private life. And it is because I believe that associations like this club, associations like this league, make for the elementary decency of political life that I take such pleasure in addressing you tonight."

"I do not address you as a Republican addressing Republicans, but as an American addressing his fellow Americans, urging them to stand for honesty and the honor of the flag. We have come here to begin the work of a campaign more vital to American interests than any that has taken place since the close of the civil war. We appeal not only to Republicans, but to all good citizens that are Americans in fact as well as in name, to help us in re-electing President McKinley. It was indeed of infinite importance to elect him four years ago. Yet the need is even greater now. Every reason which then obtained in his favor obtains now, and many more have been added. Four years ago the success of the Populist-Democratic would have meant fearful misery, fearful disaster at home; it would have meant the shame that is worse even than misery and disaster. Today it would mean all this, and in addition the unmeasurable disgrace of abandoning the proud position we have taken, of flinching from the great work we have begun."

"We ask support for President McKinley because of what he has actually done, of what he now stands for and typifies, and because of the marvelous work that has been accomplished under his administration. We ask the support of all upright citizens because against him are arrayed

The Forces of Chaotic Evil; because of the brooding menace to our moral and industrial welfare which is implied in the present attitude and purpose of the Populist-Democracy."

"We know definitely what we believe and we say it outright."

"Our opponents, who represent all the forces of discontent, malice and envy, formed and formless, vague and concrete, can hardly be said to know what they really do believe, because the principles they profess, if put forth nakedly, are so revolting, even to their own followers, that they like at least to try to wrap the mantle of hypocrisy around them. They rant about trusts, but they have nothing practical to advance in the way of remedy."

"Nor is this to be wondered at, when one of the makers of their platform, the representative from New York, and the leader of that organization in New

York, are both themselves among the most prominent stockholders in the worst trust to be found today in the United States—the ice trust, which has justly exposed itself to the criticism which our opponents often unjustly apply to every form of industrial effort."

"We now come to the Philippines and to the general question of expansion. Many of the positions taken by the Populist-Democracy at the moment are so palpably dishonest and maintained in such palpable bad faith that to state them is sufficient. It is hardly necessary to discuss what they say about 'the constitution following the flag.' The Democratic party never championed the doctrine thus set forth save in the dark days, when it had become the

### Handmaiden of Slavery

and rebellion, and danced to any tune which the apostles of slavery chose to pipe. When, under Jefferson, the great West beyond the Mississippi was acquired, when, largely through the instrumentality of Jackson, Florida was added to the Union, the new provinces, with their Indian populations, were governed precisely and exactly on the theory under which the Philippines are now governed. President Jefferson secured the Louisiana purchase just as President McKinley secured the Philippines and Andrew Jackson warred against the Seminoles when we had acquired Florida from Spain, precisely as General MacArthur is now warring against the bandits among the Tagals in Luzon. Unless we are willing to deprive Jefferson and Jackson of the meed of honor which has been held to be peculiarly theirs, we cannot deny the same high praise to President McKinley. At Kansas City, the men engaged in preaching the gospel of dishonor and repudiation solemnly asserted that 'imperialism abroad will lead quickly and inevitably to despotism at home.' You men of Minnesota and the Dakotas who are here this evening can appreciate the fatuousness of that statement by the simple process of thinking whether your liberties have been abridged by the return of the Minnesota and Dakota troops who won such honor for themselves in the Philippines. There are geometrical propositions so essentially absurd that mathematicians hold their mere statement to be equivalent to their refutation. So it is with this proposition. If it were worth while I would point out its dishonesty and insincerity. But flagrant though these are, its absurdity is so much more flagrant that nothing need be said."

"So it is with their cant about militarism and 'intimidation and oppression at home' as following 'what they are pleased to call 'conquest abroad.' We cannot argue with them on this proposition, because no serious man thinks for one moment that they believe what they assert. During the great civil war there were many preachers of the gospel of disloyalty among the so-called copperheads of the north, and these men, like their representatives among our opponents today, prophesied the subdivision of the country when the great armies of Grant and Sherman should come back from the war; but the great armies of Grant and Sherman returned to civil life and were swallowed up among their fellow citizens without a ripple. A considerable army was kept for a year or two on the Indian frontier and in some of the southern states, but it never entered the head of a human being to attempt what

### The Copperhead Prophets

of disaster had frantically foretold. In '98 and '99 you yourselves saw regiments and brigades and divisions return from Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines, to be disbanded and swallowed up in the mass of the people, if volunteers, and if regulars to assume their ordinary work in fort and cantonment, and after greeting them on the day they returned the bulk of the people would never have been able to tell, except by the newspapers, whether they had come back or not."

"Of all idle chatter the talk of the danger of militarism is the idlest. The army we have now is, relatively to the population of the country, less in size than it has been again and again during the last century and a quarter, in times when we had only our own Indians to guard against. In Washington's administration Gen. Wayne spent some three years in Ohio warring against the Tagals of that day, with an army under him larger in proportion to the then population of the nation than all our present national forces, regulars and volunteers combined, and there is just as little danger from the evils of militarism now as there was then. It is as utterly folly to talk of our liberties as menaced by the existence of a force capable of keeping order in our outlying possessions as it would have been to talk of their being menaced in the seventies by the soldiers who followed Custer and his fellows against Comanche, Apache and Sioux."

"I would ask those who by their words have encouraged the warfare of the Filipinos against us to recall the letter of General Lawton, written just before his death, in which he pointed out that the blood of his soldiers reddened the hands of the men at home who encouraged

### Our Foes Abroad.

"Some years ago when certain easterners were clamoring in the name of humanity against the army officers who warred to protect the western settlers from the Indians, General Sheridan wrote: 'I do not know how far these humanitarianism should be excused on account of their ignorance, but surely it is the only excuse that can give a shadow of justification for aiding and abetting such horrid crimes.'"

"The scheming politicians at Kansas City have not even the excuse of ignorance when they incite the insurgents to fresh warfare against our soldiers with the base hope that thereby they may further their own political advancement."